be heard for each of the opposing interests, unless additional presentations are specifically authorized.

PART 1117—PETITIONS (FOR RELIEF) NOT OTHERWISE COVERED

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721.

§1117.1 Petitions.

A party seeking relief not provided for in any other rule may file a petition for such relief. The petition should contain (a) a short, plain statement of the grounds upon which the Board's jurisdiction is based; (b) a short plain statement of the claim showing that the petitioner is entitled to relief; and (c) a demand for the relief the petitioner believes is appropriate.

[47 FR 49569, Nov. 1, 1982]

PART 1118—PROCEDURES IN IN-FORMAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE EMPLOYEE BOARDS

Sec.

1118.1 Scope.

1118.2 Proceedings to be informal.

1118.3 Appeals.

AUTHORITY: 49 CFR 721.

Source: 62 FR 50884, Sept. 29, 1997, unless otherwise noted.

§1118.1 Scope.

The rules in this part govern proceedings before employee boards.

§1118.2 Proceedings to be informal.

The proceedings in all matters governed by this part will be informal. No transcript of these proceedings will be made. Subpoenas will not be issued and, except when applications, petitions, or statements are required to be attested, oaths will not be administered.

§1118.3 Appeals.

- (a) Standing to appeal. Appeals of the decisions of the employee boards subject to this part and replies to appeals may be filed by any person.
- (b) Number of copies. The original and 10 copies of each pleading or paper permitted or required to be filed under

this section should be furnished for the use of the Board.

- (c) *Time for filing*. Appeals in proceedings governed by this part must be filed within 20 days after the date of service of the decision.
- (d) Where filed. Appeals and replies to appeals of decisions issued by employee boards must be filed with the Chief, Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E St., SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.
- (e) Decisions on appeal. An appeal from an employee board's initial decision in a matter subject to this part will be reviewed by the employee board, which may elect to modify its decision in light of new facts or arguments presented on appeal. If the employee board elects not to modify its prior decision, the appeal will be forwarded to the entire Board for determination. If a modified decision is issued by the employee board, a further appeal lies under this part.

[62 FR 50884, Sept. 29, 1997, as amended at 74 FR 52908, Oct. 15, 2009]

PART 1119—COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD DECISIONS

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721.

§1119.1 Compliance.

A defendant or respondent directed by the Board to do or desist from doing a particular thing must notify the Board on or before the compliance date specified in the decision of the manner of compliance. Notification should be by verified affidavit showing simultaneous service upon all parties to the proceeding. Where a change in rates or schedules is directed, notification specifying the Surface Transportation Board tariff or schedule numbers must be given in addition to the filing of proper tariffs or schedules.

[47 FR 49570, Nov. 1, 1982]

PART 1120—USE OF 1977-1978 STUDY OF MOTOR CARRIER PLAT-FORM HANDLING FACTORS

Sec.

1120.1 Scope.

§ 1120.1

1120.2 Purpose.

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721, 13701, 13703.

§1120.1 Scope.

The provisions of this part apply only to Class I and II motor common carriers of general freight subject to accounting instruction number 27 of the Board's Uniform System of Accounts (49 CFR Part 1207).

[47 FR 36184, Aug. 19, 1982. Redesignated at 47 FR 49570, Nov. 1, 1982]

§1120.2 Purpose.

In any proceeding requiring the development of platform handling times for distribution of platform expense, carriers may use the results of the national weight formula contained in the Board's study, entitled 1977–1978 Motor Carrier Platform Study, Statement 2S1–79

[47 FR 36184, Aug. 19, 1982. Redesignated at 47 FR 49570, Nov. 1, 1982]

PART 1121—RAIL EXEMPTION PROCEDURES

Sec.

1121.1 Scope.

1121.2 Discovery.

1121.3 Content.

1121.4 Procedures.

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 10502 and 10704.

Source: 61 FR 52714, Oct. 8, 1996, unless otherwise noted.

§1121.1 Scope.

These procedures generally govern petitions filed under 49 U.S.C. 10502 to exempt a transaction or service from 49 U.S.C. subtitle IV, or any provision of 49 U.S.C. subtitle IV, or to revoke an exemption previously granted. These procedures also apply to notices of exemption.

§1121.2 Discovery.

Discovery shall follow the procedures set forth at 49 CFR part 1114, subpart B. Discovery may begin upon the filing of the petition for exemption or petition for revocation of an exemption. In petitions to revoke an exemption, a party must indicate in the petition whether it is seeking discovery. If it is, the party must file its discovery requests at the same time it files its peti-

tion to revoke. Discovery shall be completed 30 days after the petition to revoke is filed. The party seeking discovery may supplement its petition to revoke 45 days after the petition is filed. Replies to the supplemental petition are due 15 days after the supplemental petition is filed.

§1121.3 Content.

- (a) A party filing a petition for exemption shall provide its case-in-chief, along with its supporting evidence, workpapers, and related documents at the time it files its petition.
- (b) A petition must comply with environmental or historic reporting and notice requirements of 49 CFR part 1105, if applicable.
- (c) A party seeking revocation of an exemption or a notice of exemption shall provide all of its supporting information at the time it files its petition. Information later obtained through discovery can be submitted in a supplemental petition pursuant to 49 CFR 1121.2.
- (d) Transactions imposing interchange commitments. (1) If a proposed acquisition or operation of a rail line involves a provision or agreement that may limit future interchange with a third-party connecting carrier, whether by outright prohibition, per-car penalty, adjustment in the purchase price or rental, positive economic inducement, or other means ("interchange commitment"), the following additional information must be provided:
- (i) The existence of that provision or agreement and identification of the affected interchange points; and
- (ii) A confidential, complete version of the document(s) containing or addressing that provision or agreement, which may be filed with the Board under 49 CFR 1104.14(a) and will be kept confidential without need for the filing of an accompanying motion for a protective order under 49 CFR 1104.14(b).
- (2) To obtain information about an interchange commitment for use in a proceeding before the Board, a shipper or other affected party may be granted access to the confidential documents filed pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this section by filing, and serving upon the petitioner, a "Motion for Access to Confidential Documents," containing: